



# Village of Dolgeville NY Forward

Open House #1

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# Local Planning Committee (LPC)

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## Project Team

#### State Agencies

New York State Department of State (DOS)

Empire State Development (ESD)

New York Division of Homes and Community Renewal (HCR)

New York State Energy Research & Development Authority (NYSERDA)

#### Consultants

Laberge Group (Lead)

Highland Planning (Public Engagement)

**4Ward Planning (Economic Development)** 

**Creighton Manning (Transportation)** 

Politi + Siano (Architecture; Urban Design)

Land Art Studio (Landscape Architecture)

Kim Lundgren Associates (Sustainability)





# The NY Forward Program

Launched by Governor Kathy Hochul in 2022.

Modeled after the Downtown Revitalization Program (DRI).

Provided \$2.25M to Dolgeville to help implement catalytic and transformative projects.

Focuses on creating healthy, vibrant, walkable downtowns.





# NY Forward Program Goals



Create an active downtown with a strong sense of place.



Attract new businesses that create a robust mix of shopping, entertainment, and service options for residents and visitors, and that provide job opportunities for a variety of skills and salaries.



Enhance public spaces for arts and cultural events that serve the existing members of the community but also draw in visitors from around the region.



Build a diverse population, with residents and workers supported by complementary diverse housing and employment opportunities.



Grow the local property tax base.



Provide amenities that support and enhance downtown living and quality of life.



Reduce greenhouse gas emissions and support investments that are more resilient to future climate change impacts.





# Overview of NYF Planning Process

We are here



	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Kick-Off Site Visit								
Local Planning Committee Meetings	#1	#2		#3	#4	#5		
Community Meeting			#1		#2			
Downtown Profile & Assessment	Start	Skeleton	Draft	Final				
Vision, Goals, Strategies	Start		Draft	Final				
Project Profile Development			Start	Skeleton	Draft	Final		
Call for Projects								
Strategic Investment Plan					Outline		Draft	Final



## Strategic Investment Plan Development

Dolgeville's NY Forward Strategic Investment Plan (SIP) will:

- Describe the Village's unique challenges and opportunities
- Present a clear vision and set of goals guiding downtown revitalization
- Identify and propose a suite of transformative projects

**Public Meeting Public Meeting** Vision, Downtown Proposed Vetting of Submit Goals & Projects for Profile & **Projects** SIP **Strategies** Funding **Assessment** Call for Projects We are here!





# Public Input is Important!

Throughout the process, the public will have a variety of opportunities to provide feedback, input, and guidance:

**Public Meetings** 

In Writing

LPC Meetings

**Outreach Events** 



Two Open House Events



Visit the project website



Conclusion of meeting



Open House, Farmers' Market, website, survey





# Open Call for Projects

### Deadline for Proposals- August 2

#### How to Submit Your Project

- 1 Review the Eligibility Criteria
- 2 Review Project Requirements
- 3 Review State Program Goals
- 4 Fill out the NYF Project Form
- 5 Submit your Completed Project Form

# Submit a project idea to be considered for funding through NYF!

# Visit us at **Station 8** to learn more and to sign up for Office Hours







### **Project Requirements**

- Location Within or near NY Forward Boundary.
- Timing Ability to break ground within two years of receiving funding.
- **Funding** Financing commitments should be largely secured, or have a clear path to securing financing.
- Size and Scale Projects must be large enough to be truly transformative for the downtown area.
- **Project Sponsor** Sponsors must be public, not-for-profit, or private entities with the capacity and legal authority to undertake the proposed project.
- **Decarbonization** New construction, renovations or additions may require decarbonization techniques.





# Eligible Project Types

# New Development and/or Rehabilitation of Existing Downtown Buildings

Catalytic or transformative projects that will provide employment opportunities, housing choices, and/or services for the community.

#### **Public Improvements**

These may include projects such as streetscape and transportation improvements, recreational trails, wayfinding signage, new and upgraded parks, plazas, public art, green infrastructure, and other public realm projects that will contribute to the revitalization of the downtown.

#### **Small Project Fund**

Locally managed matching small project fund to undertake a range of smaller projects such as façade enhancements, building renovation improvements to commercial or mixed-use spaces, business assistance, or public art.

#### **Branding & Marketing**

Examples include downtown branding and marketing projects that may target residents, investors, developers, tourists, and/or visitors. Costs eligible under this category must be one-time expenses, such as those to develop materials and signage. Ongoing operational costs, such as funding a downtown manager or maintaining a website, are not eligible.



## Next Steps

- Attend Office Hours for project proposals
- Complete Downtown Profile & Assessment

- Evaluate and identify priority projects
- Community Open House #2 to review and comment on proposed Priority Projects (September)





